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> Hearing Date: October 6, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) Objection Deadline: September 29, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)

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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:		)	Chapter 11
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CELSIUS NETWORK LLC, et al., 1		)	Case No. 22-10964 (MG)
		)	
	Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
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# NOTICE OF HEARING ON DEBTORS' MOTION SEEKING ENTRY OF AN ORDER GRANTING A THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the Debtors' Motion Seeking Entry of an Order Granting a Third Extension of Time to File Schedules and Statements of Financial Affairs (the "Motion") will be held on October 6, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., prevailing Eastern Time (the "Hearing"), or such earlier date as may be ordered by the Court. In accordance with General Order M-543 dated March 20, 2020, the Hearing will be conducted remotely using Zoom for Government. Parties wishing to appear at the Hearing, whether making a "live" or "listen only"

Mining LLC (1387); Celsius Network Inc. (1219); Celsius Network Limited (8554); Celsius Networks Lending LLC (3390); and Celsius US Holding LLC (7956). The location of Debtor Celsius Network LLC's principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 121 River Street, PH05, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030.

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Celsius Network LLC (2148); Celsius KeyFi LLC (4414); Celsius Lending LLC (8417); Celsius

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appearance before the Court, need to make an electronic appearance through the Court's website at https://ecf.nysb.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/nysbAppearances.pl.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any responses or objections to the relief requested in the Motion shall: (a) be in writing; (b) conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, and all General Orders applicable to chapter 11 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York; (c) be filed electronically with the Court on the docket of *In re Celsius Network LLC*, No. 22-10964 (MG) by registered users of the Court's electronic filing system and in accordance with all General Orders applicable to chapter 11 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (which are available on the Court's website at http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov); and (d) be served so as to be actually received by September 29, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, by (i) the entities on the Master Service List available on the case website of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (the "Debtors") at https://cases.stretto.com/celsius and (ii) any person or entity with a particularized interest in the subject matter of the Motion.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that only those responses or objections that are timely filed, served, and received will be considered at the Hearing. Failure to file a timely objection may result in entry of a final order granting the Motion as requested by the Debtors.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of the Motion and other pleadings filed in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained free of charge by visiting the website of Stretto at https://cases.stretto.com/celsius. You may also obtain copies of the Motion and other pleadings filed in these chapter 11 cases by visiting the Court's website at http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov in accordance with the procedures and fees set forth therein.

New York, New York Dated: September 15, 2022 /s/ Joshua A. Sussberg

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In re:		)	Chapter 11
CELSIUS NETWORK LLC, et al.,1		)	Case No. 22-10964 (MG)
	Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)

# **DEBTORS' MOTION SEEKING ENTRY** OF AN ORDER GRANTING A THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") respectfully state the following in support of this motion (this "Motion"):

#### **Relief Requested**

The Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as 1. Exhibit A (the "Order"), further extending the deadline by which the Debtors will file their schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of current income and expenditures, schedules of

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executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs ("Schedules and Statements") until five business days after the Court issues its written opinion or order with respect to the Debtors' Ex Parte Motion Pursuant to Section 107 of the Bankruptcy Code Seeking Entry of an Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to Redact Certain Personally Identifiable Information from the Creditor Matrix, Schedules and Statements, and Related Documents and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 344] (the "Redaction Motion") and the Debtors' Motion Pursuant to Section 107 of the Bankruptcy Code Seeking Entry of an Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Redact Individual Names, and (B) Implement an Anonymized Identification Process, and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 639] (the "Anonymization Motion," and together with the Redaction Motion, the "Redaction Motions"), without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions.

## **Jurisdiction and Venue**

- 2. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, entered February 1, 2012. The Debtors confirm their consent to the Court entering a final order in connection with this Motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
  - 3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 4. The bases for the relief requested herein is section 105(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Bankruptcy Rules 1007, and 9006, and Rules 9006-2 and 9013-1(a) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York (the "Local Rules").

#### **Background**

- 5. The Debtors, together with their non-Debtor affiliates (collectively, "Celsius"), are one of the largest and most sophisticated cryptocurrency based finance platforms in the world and provide financial services to institutional, corporate, and retail clients across more than 100 countries. Celsius was created in 2017 to be one of the first cryptocurrency platforms to which users could transfer their crypto assets and (a) earn rewards on crypto assets and/or (b) take loans using those transferred crypto assets as collateral. Headquartered in Hoboken, New Jersey, Celsius has more than 1.7 million registered users and approximately 300,000 active users with account balances greater than \$100.
- 6. On July 13, 2022 (the "Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. A detailed description of the facts and circumstances of these chapter 11 cases is set forth in the Declaration of Alex Mashinsky, Chief Executive Officer of Celsius Network LLC, in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions (the "Mashinsky Declaration") and the Declaration of Robert Campagna, Managing Director of Alvarez & Marsal North America, LLC, in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions (the "Campagna Declaration"). As described in more detail in the Mashinsky Declaration, the Debtors commenced these chapter 11 cases to provide Celsius an opportunity to stabilize its business and consummate a comprehensive restructuring transaction that maximizes value for stakeholders.
- 7. The Debtors are operating their business and managing their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. These chapter 11 cases

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Mashinsky Declaration or the Campagna Declaration (together, the "<u>First Day Declarations</u>"), as applicable.

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have been consolidated for procedural purposes only and are jointly administered pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) [Docket No. 53]. On July 27, 2022, the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors [Docket No. 241] (the "<u>Committee</u>"). On September 14, 2022, the Court entered an order authorizing the appointment of an examiner [Docket No. 820].

- 8. On July 19, 2022, the Court entered the Order (I) Extending Time to File Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, Schedules of Current Income and Expenditures, Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and Statements of Financial Affairs, (II) Extending Time to File Rule 2015.3 Financial Reports And (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 57] (the "Initial Extension Order"). The Initial Extension Order extended the time within which the Debtors were required to file their Schedules and Statements until the earlier of (a) an additional thirty days (for a total of forty-four days after the Petition Date (August 29, 2022)) or (b) seven days prior to the meeting of creditors pursuant to section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code. It extended the deadline to file the reports pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 until the later of (a) thirty days after 341 Meeting or (b) forty-four days after the Petition Date, each without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek additional extensions. On August 11, 2022, the Debtors filed a motion to further extend the deadline to file their Schedules and Statements. On September 1, 2022, the Debtors filed a revised proposed order seeking an extension of the deadline to file Schedules and Statements to September 16, 2022, without prejudice to the Debtors' rights to seek further extensions. On the same day, the Court entered the Order Granting a Second Extension of Time to File Schedules and Statements of Financial Affairs [Docket No. 685].
- 9. On August 3, 2022, the Debtors filed the Redaction Motion, which seeks to, among other things, redact the names of non-U.S. individuals in the Schedules and Statements. On

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August 30, 2022, the Debtors filed the Anonymization Motion, which seeks to, among other things, anonymize the names of customers where associated with account balances in the Schedules and Statements. On September 14, 2022, the Court took the Redaction Motions under advisement and has yet to issue a decision or order.

#### **Basis for Relief**

- 10. Section 521 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the debtor shall file "(B) unless the court orders otherwise—(i) a schedule of assets and liabilities; (ii) a schedule of current income and current expenditures; (iii) a statement of the debtor's financial affairs . . . ." 11 U.S.C. § 521(a)(1)(B). The Court has the authority to grant the requested extension under Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b), and Local Rules 1007-1 (b) and 9006-2. Bankruptcy Rule 1007(c) together with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b) allows the Court to extend the filing deadline for the Schedules and Statements "for cause." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(c) and 9006(b). Local Rule 9006-2 automatically extends the deadline to file the Schedules and Statements until the Court resolves this Motion.
- 11. Good and sufficient cause for granting a further extension of time to file the Schedules and Statements exists. To prepare the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors compiled information from books, records, and documents relating to the claims of hundreds of thousands of creditors, many of whom are the Debtors' customers, as well as the Debtors' many assets and contracts. This information is voluminous and located across various places within the Debtors' international organization.
- 12. The process of creating the Debtors' Schedules and Statements is inextricably tied to the scope of the redactions allowed by this Court. The portion of the Debtors' Schedules and Statements concerning customer accounts are the most substantial, including hundreds of thousands of individual customers, and will take the greatest time to prepare. In light of the

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enormity of data being presented, additional time is required to ensure that the Debtors conform the Schedules and Statements to the Court's ruling on the Redaction Motions. The method by which information is presented hinges heavily on the Court's decision with regard to the Redaction Motions. Until the Debtors are aware of the scope of permissible redactions, the Schedules and Statements cannot be completed.

- 13. For these reasons, the Debtors do not believe they will be able to complete the Schedules and Statements by the current deadline given the pending ruling. Courts in this district have granted extensions of similar deadlines in a number of chapter 11 cases of comparable size, complexity, and geographic scope. See, e.g., In re Revlon, Inc., No. 22-10760 (DSJ) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. June 17, 2022) (granting the debtors a total of fifty-nine days from the petition date to file); In re Avianca Holdings S.A., No. 20-11133 (MG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. July 1, 2020) (granting the debtors a total of 59 days from the petition date to file); In re Frontier Commc'ns Corp., No. 20-22476 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 1, 2020) (granting the debtors a total of fifty-five days from the petition date to file Schedules D, E, F, G, and H); In re Windstream Holdings, Inc., No. 1922312 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. April 22, 2019) (granting the debtors a total of seventyfour days from the petition date to file); In re Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc., No. 18-13374 (MEW) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Jan. 17, 2019) (granting the debtors a total of fifty-nine days from the petition date to file); In re Tops Holding II Corp., No. 18-22279 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. April 20, 2018) (granting the debtors a total of 75 days from the petition date to file); In re Avaya Inc., No. 17-10089 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Mar. 21, 2017) (granting the debtors a total of ninety-two days from the petition date to file).
- 14. Although the Debtors and their advisors are working diligently and expeditiously to prepare the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors believe that, for the reasons stated above,

they cannot complete the Schedules and Statements until the Court issues its written opinion or order with respect to the Redaction Motions. Furthermore, the relief requested herein will not prejudice any party in interest. The Debtors are and will continue to work cooperatively with the U.S. Trustee and the Committee to provide access to relevant information regarding the business and financial affairs of the Debtors and their non-Debtor affiliates. Therefore, under the circumstances, "cause" exists to extend the current deadline until five business days after this Court issues an opinion or order with respect to the Redaction Motions. The Debtors request such an extension without prejudice to their rights to seek further extensions from this Court.

#### **Motion Practice**

15. This Motion includes citations to the applicable rules and statutory authorities upon which the relief requested herein is predicated and a discussion of their application to this Motion. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that this Motion satisfies Local Rule 9013-1(a).

#### **Notice**

16. The Debtors will provide notice of this Motion to the following parties or their respective counsel: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) counsel to the Committee; (c) the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York; (d) the Internal Revenue Service; (e) the offices of the attorneys general in the states in which the Debtors operate; (f) the Securities and Exchange Commission; and (g) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. In light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

#### No Prior Request

17. Except as requested in the Debtors' Motion Seeking Entry of an Order (I) Extending Time to File Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, Schedules of Current Income and Expenditures, Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and Statements of Financial Affairs, (II) Extending Time to File Rule 2015.3 Financial Reports and (III) Granting Related Relief

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[Docket No. 8] and *Debtors' Motion Granting a Second Extension of Time to File Schedules and Statements of Financial Affairs* [Docket No. 431], no prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other court.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors request that the Court enter the Order granting the relief requested herein and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate.

New York, New York Dated: September 15, 2022 /s/ Joshua A. Sussberg

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# Exhibit A

**Proposed Order** 

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT	I
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	

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In re:		)	Chapter 11
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	Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
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# ORDER GRANTING A THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Upon the motion (the "Motion")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order") further extending the time period to file their Schedules and Statements; all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declarations; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, entered February 1, 2012; and this Court having the power to enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of these cases in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing thereon were appropriate under

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the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the

Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing

before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases

set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and

after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.

2. The time within which the Debtors must file the Schedules and Statements is

extended until five business days after the Court issues its opinion or order with respect to the

Redaction Motions, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek additional extensions.

3. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with

Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

4. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief

granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.

5. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

New York, New York Dated: , 2022

> THE HONORABLE MARTIN GLENN CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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